

STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D

Received by
State Procurement Office
05/25/2016

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Department of Health
Name of Requesting Department

Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102(b)(4) and HAR chapter 3-120, the Department requests a procurement exemption for the following:

1. Describe the goods and/or services:

The Department of Health/Tobacco Prevention and Education Program (DOH/TPEP) requires the following services from the statewide tobacco quitline service in Hawaii: 1. Collect Mental Health condition data from the callers to the Hawaii Tobacco Quitline (HTQL) services, and provide monthly de-identified aggregated reports; 2. Collect and provide de-identified Quitline Experience Extract (QEE) data and submit monthly; and Complete and submit the National Quitline Data Warehouse Quarterly Services Survey. Data must be transferred electronically to the DOH/TPEP on a timely basis, within the month after it has been collected.

2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:

Alere Wellbeing, Inc.

3. Amount of Request:

\$ 6,000.00

4. Term of Contract From: *Per DOH on 6/7/16*
OK 8/1/2015
7/1/2016

To: *OK 7/31/2016*
10/31/2016

5. Prior SPO-007, Procurement Exemption (PE):

6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means:


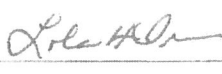
Alere Wellbeing, Inc. (Alere) is the current vendor for the statewide Hawaii Tobacco Quitline (HTQL) services, and through the 1-800 number, web presence, and through text messaging, provides the array of quitline cessation coaching services that reaches and is available across all counties, everyday. Alere conducts intake, arranges for quit coaching, and provides services to smokers regardless of insurance status. **Therefore it would be impracticable to procure competitively for another quitline service vendor since the data required is gathered within the context of providing statewide quitline services. It would not be advantageous to procure services through another vendor since doing so would necessitate duplicating the cessation services already provided through the HTQL to obtain the federally required data sets.**

7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider:

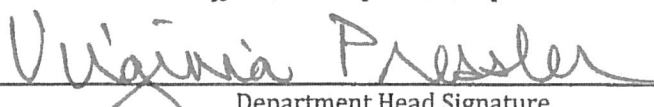
Alere Wellbeing, Inc. was selected since it is the current vendor for the Hawaii Tobacco Quitline (HTQL), and is providing services which are available statewide across all communities in Hawaii, and is the only vendor in Hawaii able to use the 1-800-QUITNOW nationally developed number for state and national quitlines. The vendor services are promoted widely through paid media campaigns, and through state-funded and private health plans, by healthcare professionals, and through community health centers. **In providing the HTQL cessation services, Alere conducts intake of caller data, and meets federal and state privacy regulations for collecting and managing intake data, and the capacity to electronically transfer the required de-identified data sets.**

8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

Name	Division/Agency	Phone Number	e-mail address
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*All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the department.
I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.*


Department Head Signature

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Date

For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted: 6/1/2016

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in No. 8. Submit written objection to this notice to issue an exempt contract within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

state.procurement.office@hawaii.gov

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approval is granted for the period 7/1/2016 to 10/31/2016 and is based on the department's representation that it is not practicable or advantageous to procure by competitive means. Alere Wellbeing Inc is being specifically requested because they are the vendor for the HTQL, and the HTQL is who the department needs to work with in order to maintain requirements for the federal grant from the CDC. Allere Wellbeing Inc is the only provider to the HTQL and has the information readily available. This approval is for the solicitation process only, HRS section 103D-310(c) and HAR section 3-122-112 shall apply (i.e. vendor is required to provide proof of compliance and may use the Hawaii Compliance Express) and the award is required to be posted on the Awards Reporting System. Copies of the HCE certificates and awards posting are required to be documented in the procurement/contract file.

If there are any questions, please contact Kevin Takaesu at 586-0568 or kevin.s.takaesu@hawaii.gov.

☒ Approved

☐ Disapproved

☐ No Action Required


Chief Procurement Officer Signature

7/8/16

Date